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Transmitted herewith for filing under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(b) by Express Mail is the complete patent application of Michael J. Yancey of Puyallup, Washington, Brian Wester of Sumner, Washington, Michael David Vrbanac of Normandy Park, Washington, and Ramon Charles Dezutter of Milton, Washington, entitled PROCESS FOR PRODUCING DRIED SINGULATED CROSSLINKED CELLULOSE PULP FIBERS.

- X 1. This application is a continuation-in-part of prior copending Application No. 09/998143, filed October 30, 2001.
- X 2. An application consisting of 68 pages of specification, including the claims and the Abstract of the Disclosure, and 11 sheets of drawings is attached.
- X 3. A Combined Declaration and Power of Attorney is attached.

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Basic Fee							740
Total Claims	39 - 20	=	19	x	18	=	342
Independent Claims	4 - 3	=	1	x	84	=	84
	TOTAL						\$1166

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- X 5. An executed Assignment document and Assignment Recordation sheet is attached.
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